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C O N F I D E N T I A L COTONOU 0689

BRUSSELS FOR CASUCCI

LAGOS FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, PFOR, PINS, DM
SUBJ: A.J. CASUCCI, FAA OPERATIONAL LIAISON REP FOR SECURITY

REF: STATE 074210

1. SINCE AVIATION AND AIRPORT SECURITY ARE A MAJOR FOCUS OF ATTENTION OF GOVERNMENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BENIN (GPRB) POLICE OFFICIALS, CASUCCI VISIT WOULD BE WELCOMED BY BOTH POLICE AND GPRB. GIVEN THE SO-CALLED "STATE OF EMERGENCY" PROCLAIMED FOLLOWING JANUARY 16 MERCENARY ATTACK ON COTONOU AND THE ARBITRARY ARRESTS WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE NAME OF NATIONAL

SECURITY, MR. CASUCCI SHOULD AVOID ANY CONVERSATION WITH AIRPORT, CUSTOMS, AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS CONCERNING HIS MISSION UNTF HE HAS MET WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS. IN LOCAL PARLANCE "SECURITY" CONNOTES INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES. IT IS BECAUSE OF HIS ALLEGED "SECURITY" ROLE THAT OUR CRO WAS ARRESTED AND HELD IN PRISON FOR SIX DAYS SHORTLY AFTER MERCENARY ATTACK. WE DO NOT WISH TO HAVE MR. CASUCCI TAKE HOME ANY FIRST-HAND IMPRESSIONS OF THE COTONOU PRISON.

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2. IN ADDITION TO COORDINATING WITH RSO, MR. CASUCCI SHOULD GIVE US AMPLE NOTICE, PREFERABLY A WEEK, BEFORE COMING TO BENIN SO THAT WE CAN NOTIFY APPROPRIATE FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS. THOMPSON

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